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1. When writing to us in late November of the state of the talks with the N.C.F.A. on reorganisation and broadening [ ] quoted [ ] as saying that all his (Joe's) information went to show

- (a) Widespread discontent with the N.C.F.A. among the emigres
- (b) Great dissatisfaction among the Balli Kombetar rank and file with their present leaders.

2. These suggestions did not confirm our intelligence and within the last month we have ourselves carried out a new survey of emigre opinion, the results of which are as follows:

(a) U.K.

Among the 50 odd PIXIES in the U.K. there is complete acceptance of the N.C.F.A. as at present constituted. Abas Ermenjo is it is true regarded as dealing with the B.K. on a strict military basis, but this attitude is not resented as he is so much respected for his leadership and courage.

(b) ITALY

Reports received from Italy make no mention of dissident movements in the ranks.

(c) GERMANY

We have information that the party groups continue to keep in their watertight compartments and that there has been no significant shift of loyalties.

(d) GREECE

Of the 580 known and registered Albanians in Greece the majority belong to either the B.K. or the Legalitet and to all appearances support their party leaders, who in turn support the N.C.F.A. as it is.

At Lavrion

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At Lavrion for example there are only 27 independents out of a total of some 350 emigres and it is the view of responsible and intelligent emigres in Greece that the N.C.F.A. can best remain as at present constituted.

What criticism there is in Greece of the N.C.F.A. comes largely from frustrated members of the older generation and from elements inspired by the Greeks, who themselves dislike the N.C.F.A. as a nationalist body.

Recent escapees from Albania have all arrived supporting the N.C.F.A. and with reports that the Albanian people as a whole are very N.C.F.A.-minded owing to the considerable build-up the Committee has had during the past years.

In Greece there is no evidence whatsoever of discontent among the B.K. rank and file with their leadership, which on the contrary is fully trusted, Abas Ermenje being revered and Zef Pali highly regarded as an intellectual leader who was a fighter.

3. The above short survey which we hope will be of some use to you reinforces our opinion that discontent with the N.C.F.A. and the B.K. leaders is far from rife. In fact we are assured all around of solidarity and of the closing of the ranks of the B.K.; we have even been quoted cases of elements who joined the ELISSURA Group a year ago now returning to the B.K.